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FOR DAS ROBERT B. LANE

E.O. 12065: GDS 7/9/88 (WARD, JAMES L.)
TAGS: CASC: (SULLIVAN, JOHN J.)
SUBJECT: /W - DISAPPEARANCE OF JOHN J. SULLIVAN
- E OF JOHN J. SULLIVAN
1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.

2. PER OUR CONVERSATION, FOLLOWING IS AN OUTLINE OF QUESTIONS WE BELIEVE WOULD BE USEFUL TO POSE DURING THE INTERVIEW. OBVIOUSLY YOU AND THE EMBASSY STAFF WILL WANT TO EXPAND ON THIS BUT WE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL AS A BASE.

--- DO YOU KNOW JOHN SULLIVAN'S PURPOSE IN COMING TO EL SALVADOR?

--- WHEN DID YOU FIRST LEARN THAT SULLIVAN WAS BEING HELD? HOW?

--- IF YOU LEARNED FROM OTHER SOURCES, WHEN DID THEY FIRST LEARN OF HIS CAPTURE?

--- WHO ARE THESE SOURCES?
--- CAN WE CONTACT THEM?

--- CAN THE SULLIVAN FAMILY CONTACT THEM?

--- DID YOUR INFORMANTS IDENTIFY SULLIVAN BY NAME? WHY DID THEY THINK IT WAS SULLIVAN?

--- WHY DO YOU THINK THE INDIVIDUAL THEY REPORTED IS SULLIVAN?

--- CAN YOU PROVIDE ANY DESCRIPTION OF THIS INDIVIDUAL.

--- WHEN WAS SULLIVAN FIRST DETAINED? BY WHOM?

--- DO YOU KNOW WHY HE WAS DETAINED?

--- DO YOU KNOW THE EXACT CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS DETENTION: WHAT DAY; WHAT TIME OF DAY; WHERE; HOW; ETC.?

--- CAN YOU EXPLAIN WH HE IS STILL BEING HELD?

--- OBVIOUSLY HE HAS NEVER BEEN PUBLICALLY CHARGED, THE NORMAL COURSE ONE WOULD EXPECT. CAN YOU EXPLAIN THIS?

--- DO YOU KNOW WHERE HE IS BEING DETAINED?

--- CAN YOU DESCRIBE THE FACILITY? DO YOU KNOW NAMES OF OF THE PEOPLE WHO RUN THE FACILITY? DO YOU KNOW THE NAMES OF ANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS HELD WITH HIM DURING THE PAST 18 MONTHS? WHERE ARE THEY? CAN THEY BE CONTACTED?

--- EXACTLY WHAT ARE THE PHYSICAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS DETENTION (SOLITARY, REGULAR CELL, ROOM IN HOUSE, ETC.)?

--- HAVE YOU YOURSELF EVER SEEN SULLIVAN?

--- ASSUMING THERE IS SOME NORTH AMERICAN BEING HELD, HOW DO YOU KNOW IT IS SULLIVAN? DO YOU KNOW HOW THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS DRESSED?

--- SULLIVAN HAD A CAMERA WHEN HE WENT TO SAN SALVADOR. DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO IT? DO YOU KNOW WHO HAS IT NOW? DO YOU KNOW WHAT PICTURES HE MIGHT HAVE TAKEN?

--- JOHN SULLIVAN HAD A SMALL TAPE RECORDER HE USED FOR INTERVIEWS. DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO IT? DO YOU KNOW WHO HAS THE TAPES?

--- CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHY YOU OR YOUR ASSOCIATES HAVE NEVER RELEASED THIS INFORMATION BEFORE?

--- YOU HAVE BEEN IN MEXICO FOR A MONTH, WHY DID YOU WAIT UNTIL NOW TO MAKE THIS ANNOUNCEMENT?

--- YOU HAVE CALLED AT THE US EMBASSY TWICE DURING THAT PERIOD OF TIME, WHY DIDN'T YOU RAISE THIS ISSUE WITH THE EMBASSY AT THAT TIME?

4. THE SULLIVAN FAMILY ASKS THAT THE GUERRILLAS CONTACT THEM AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES: [redacted] TOESSEL

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